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In re Application of:

Ho et al.

Application No. 09/743,873

Filed: April 18, 2001

For: WATER-SOLUBLE DRUGS AND  
RELATED COMPOSITIONS AND  
METHODS OF PREPARING AND  
USING SAME

Art Unit: 1624

Examiner: B. Kifle

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 3, 2003, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this Amendment and Response to Office Action (along with any documents referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: May 22, 2003